COORDINATOR

FUNCTIONS OF THE OFFICE OF COORDINATOR. – The Coordinator for Education of Homeless Children and Youths established in each State shall ---

- (1) gather reliable, valid, and comprehensive information on the nature and extent of the problems homeless children and youths have in gaining access to public preschool programs and to public elementary schools and secondary schools, the difficulties in identifying the specific needs of such children and youths, any progress made by the State educational agency and local educational agencies in the State in addressing such problems under this subtitle in allowing homeless children and youths to enroll in, attend, and succeed in, school;
- (2) develop and carry out the State plan....
- (3) collect and transmit to the Secretary, at such time and in such manner as the Secretary may require, a report containing such information as the Secretary determines is necessary to assess the educational needs of homeless children and youths within the State;
- (4) facilitate coordination between the State educational agency, the State social services agency, and other agencies (including agencies providing mental health services) to provide services to homeless children, including preschool-aged homeless children, and youths, and to families of such children and youths.
- (5) in order to improve the provision of comprehensive education and related services to homeless children and youths and their families, coordinate and collaborate with ---
- (A) educators, including child development and preschool program personnel;
- (B) providers of services to homeless and runaway children and youths and homeless families including domestic violence agencies, shelter operators, transitional housing facilities, runaway and homeless youth centers, and transitional living programs for homeless youths;
- (C) local educational agency liaisons designated under subsection (g)(1)(J)(ii) for homeless children and youths; and
- (D) Community organizations and groups representing homeless children and youths and their families; and
- (6) provide technical assistance to local educational agencies in coordination with local education agency liaisons designated under subsection (g)(1)(J)(iii), to ensure that local educational agencies comply with the requirements of section 722(e)(3) and paragraphs (3) through (7) of subsection (g).

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